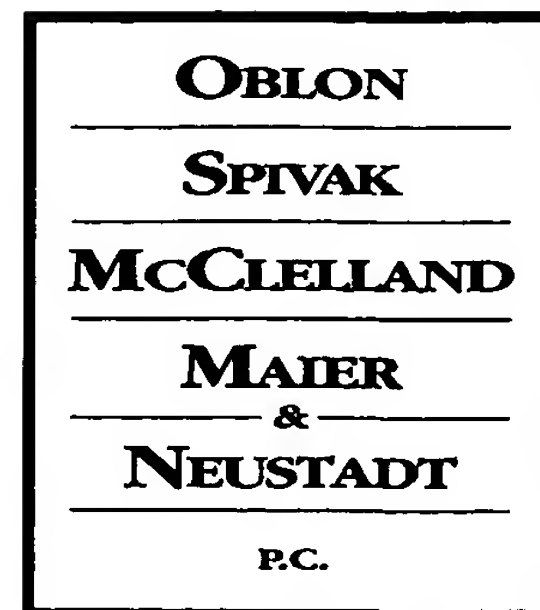




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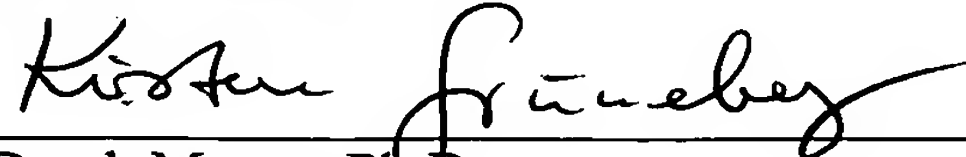
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated September 7, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

The **Basis for Amendment** begins on page 10 of this paper.

The **Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.